

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

ARTHUR D. FINCH,
Plaintiff,

No. C 12-00814 YGR (PR)

ORDER OF TRANSFER

vs.

WARDEN JAMES D. HARTLEY, et al.,
Defendants.

Plaintiff, a state prisoner, has filed a *pro se* civil rights action pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 1983 and an application for *in forma pauperis* status. The acts complained of occurred at Avenal State Prison, which is located in the Eastern District of California, and it appears that Defendants reside in that district. Venue, therefore, properly lies in that district and not in this one. *See* 28 U.S.C. § 1391(b).

Accordingly, in the interest of justice and pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1406(a), this action is TRANSFERRED to the United States District Court for the Eastern District of California. The Clerk of the Court shall transfer the case forthwith. All pending motions are TERMINATED on this Court's docket as no longer pending in this district.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: February 29, 2012


YVONNE GONZALEZ ROGERS
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT JUDGE